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In re application of:
Harwell et al DECISION ON PETITION
Serial No.: 09/775,045
Filed: February 1, 2001
For: SCENTED HOT MELT ADHESIVE

This is a decision on the petition received on October 3, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed March 14, 2001. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned May 15, 2001. The Notice of Abandonment was mailed on August 4, 2002.

On October 3, 2002, the office received a communication from the attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgement that the attorney responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on April 5, 2001.

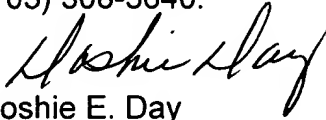
The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on April 5, 2001.

The petition is hereby Granted.

The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 3761.

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the client.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Doshie E. Day".

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